Complaint against custom officers to Gaya Airport

2222. SHRIMATIBIMBARAIKAR:
SHRI NANA DESHMUKH.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a group of Thai tourists has lodged a complaint of harassment and intimidation against customs officers at Gaya International Airport when they landed on a chartered Aircraft in Gaya last week; and

(b) whether as reported the tourists were holding valid papers and were carrying articles well within their entitlement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRIANANDRAO VITHOBAADSUL): (a) No formal or written complaint has been filed either with the Airport Director, Tourism office, Gaya or the Customs.

(b) Yes, Sir. The tourists were holding valid papers and carrying articles within their entitlement.

Exemption of excise duty on 21'' TV sets

2223. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request from the Government of Andhra Pradesh has been received in the Ministry for exempting Excise and Import Duty on 21" Colour TV sets supplied to the Government schools; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The request has not been found to be acceptable.

Floating interest rate on Housing Finance

†2224.SHRI DARASINGH CHAUHAN:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.